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1. IN THE FIRST PRESS COMMENT SINCE NOVEMBER 5 ON
POLISH UNEF PARTICIPATION, THE AUTHORITATIVE WEEKLY
POLITYKA, UNDER THE HEADING "TRUST AND RECOGNITION",
HAILED POLAND'S SELECTION FOR A UNEF ROLE AS BREAKING
THE "MONOPOLY OF THE WESTERN COUNTRIES" ON THE PEACE-
KEEPING FORCES AND SIMILAR OPERATIONS OF THE UN.
POLITYKA CREDITED "THE DEEPENING PROCESS OF DETENTE"
FOR CHANGING THE ATMOSPHERE SO THAT A SOCIALIST COUNTRY
COULD SERVE ON UN PEACEKEEPING FORCES. AFTER A SELF-
CONGRATULATORY PASSAGE FOR HAVING BEEN RECOGNIZED FOR
ITS CONSISTENT EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF PEACE IN OTHER
AREAS OF THE WORLD, SUCH AS KOREA, VIETNAM, LAOS,
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CAMBODIA, AND NIGERIA, THE POLITYKA COMMENTARY CONCLUDED

BY POINTING OUT THAT POLAND HAS FREQUENTLY EXPRESSED ITS SOLIDARITY WITH THE "ARAB PEOPLES FIGHTING FOR THE LIBERATION OF THEIR LANDS AND HAS DECLARED ITSELF FOR A POLITICAL RESOLUTION OF THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT IN THE SPIRIT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION OF JULY 22, 1967, "AND THAT POLAND IS CONVINCED THAT THE UN IS "IN A POSITION TO GUARANTEE THE MAINTENANCE OF A MIDDLE EASTERN CEASE-FIRE AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO ASSURING SECURITY TO ALL OF THE PEOPLES OF THAT REGION".

2. ALTHOUGH THE POLISH PRESS HAS CAREFULLY REPORTED UPON THE SECRETARY'S MOVEMENTS AND MEETINGS IN NORTH AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST, THERE HAS NOT YET BEEN ANY MENTION OF THE OPTIMISTIC WESTERN PRESS REPORTS OF THE DISCUSSIONS THE SECRETARY HAS HAD IN CAIRO AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY SISCO IN TEL AVIV ON A NEW PEACE PLAN. HOWEVER, THE POLISH PRESS DID REPORT ON NOVEMBER 8 THAT THE US AND THE UAR HAD AGREED TO RENEW DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AND ZYCIE WARSZAWY SUPPLIED FURTHER GRAPHIC EVIDENCE ON NOVEMBER 9 THAT THE SECRETARY'S TRIP TO CAIRO COULD BE GOING REASONABLY WELL WHEN IT PRINTED ON ITS FOREIGN-AFFAIRS PAGE A DOUBLE-COLUMN, FOUR-AND-A-HALF COLUMN-INCH PICTURE OF A SMILING SECRETARY KISSINGER SURROUNDED BY SMILING EGYPTIAN OFFICIALS AGAINST THE BACKGROUND OF THE SPHINX.

3. MEANWHILE, SEVERAL POLISH JOURNALISTS HAVE CONFIRMED TO US THAT POLISH MEMBERSHIP ON UNEF IS AN UNPOPULAR MOVE, BUT ALL EXPRESSED RELIEF THAT THE POLISH ROLE WILL BE A LOGISTICAL ONE. ONE JOURNALIST COMMENTED TO AN EMBOFF THAT THE POLISH UNIT WILL BE SELECTED WITH EXTREME CARE FROM AMONG EXPERIENCED PROFESSIONAL SOLDIERS AND WILL INCLUDE NO ONE BELOW THE RANK OF SENIOR NON-COM. THE SAME JOURNALIST ADDED THAT MEDIA REPORTING ON THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS IS STILL BEING CAREFULLY ORCHESTRATED BY THE PRESS DEPARTMENT OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

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